



# WILD Kids



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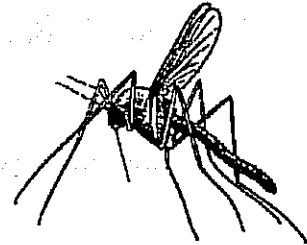
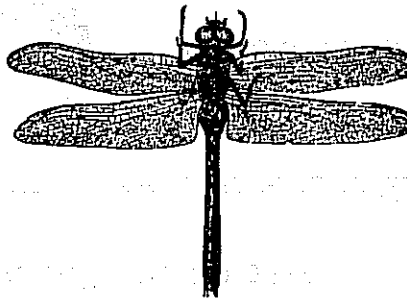
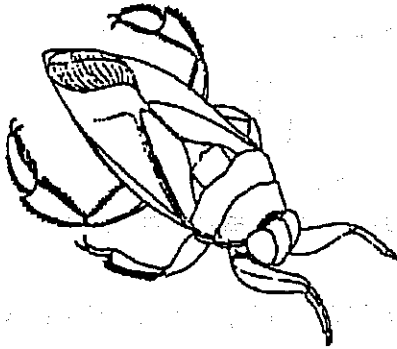
## Aquatic Insects

What are aquatic insects?

**Aquatic** refers to living in the water.

Aquatic insects are insects that live in the water.

Below are three aquatic insects. Can you name them?



Some aquatic insects lay their eggs in the water. Some lay eggs on land, near the edge of the water. But all aquatic insects need water to grow up in.

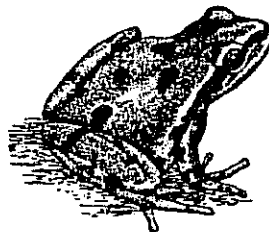
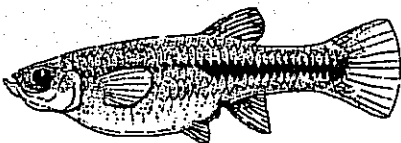
What do aquatic insects need to live?

Like insects that live on land, they need food, water, shelter and space.

Many animals eat aquatic insects.

Name the following animals that eat aquatic insects.

Can you name others?



I am a water beetle.

I live in rocky creeks and streams.

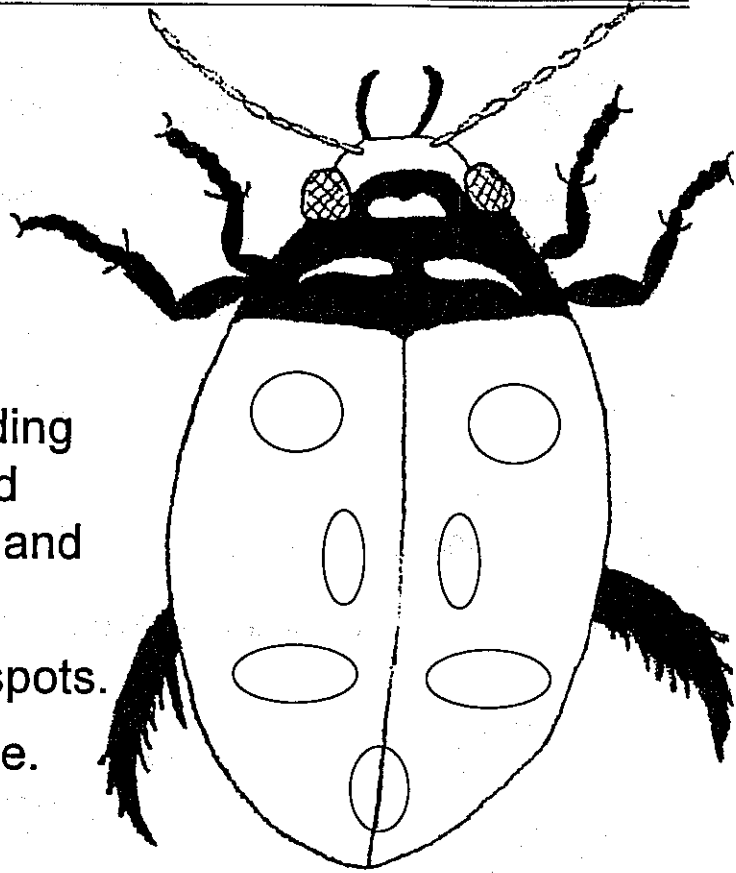
I eat other aquatic bugs, tadpoles  
and small fish.

I am black with bright yellow spots.

I have many common names including  
spotted water beetle, yellow-spotted  
water beetle, marbled water beetle and  
sunburst diving beetle.

Please color me black with yellow spots.

Now draw and color your own beetle.



**Match the Bugs:** Draw a line from a beetle on the right to the matching beetle on the left.  
How many beetles are pictured here?

